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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF DR. RONKIN

1. DR. R.R. RONKIN, MANAGER, AFRICA AND ASIA SECTION, OFFICE OF INTER-NATIONAL PROGRAMS, NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION, PLANS VISIT LAGOS ENROUTE CAIRO TO WASHINGTON. ETA LAGOS FEBRUARY 25TH 1975 1325 HRS ETD 29TH 2005 HRS.

2. PURPOSE OF TRIP IS EVALUATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR FUTURE COOPERATION BETWEEN US AND NIGERIAN SCIENTISTS AND INSTITUTIONS. NSF INTERESTS INCLUDE BASIC AND APPLIED MATHEMATICAL, NATURAL, SOCIAL, AND ENGINEERING SCIENCES. THEY EXCLUDE TECHNOLOGY AND CLINICAL SCIENCES. SUGGESTED GOALS OF VISIT: (A) DISCUSS PROSPECTS AND MUTUAL INTERESTS WITH US AND NI OFFICIALS (B) FIND IF THERE ARE SIGNIFICANT NUMBERS NIGERIAN SCIENTISTS WITH US PROFESSIONAL TIES. NSF IS DOMESTIC AGENCY, RARELY MAKES FOREIGN GRANTS, HAS NO RPT NO SPECIAL FUNDS FOR COOPERATION WITH NIGERIA AT THIS TIME. NSF CAN CONSIDER TRAVEL GRANT APPLICATIONS FROM US SCIENTISTS DESIRING TO VISIT NI TO DEVELOP SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION. TRAVELER AVAILABLE TO LECTURE ON NSF AND US SCIENCE WITH 2X2 INCH SLIDES.

3. EMBASSY KINDLY ARRANGE AIRPORT MEETING AND LOCAL TRANSPORT; ACCOMMODATIONS FEDERAL PALACE, IKOYI OR SIMILAR; PROFESSIONAL UNCLASSIFIED

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